

In Delta Storage Project

Recommendation by DWR as Stated in the Draft Supplemental Report's Executive Summary, Chapter 1.

With the additional edits, the BDPAC Water Supply Subcommittee members reached consensus on this recommendation at the January 11, 2006 WSS meeting.

1.2 Recommendations

The Department of Water Resources, acting as the State implementing agency for the CALFED Bay-Delta Program surface storage projects, has refined the In-Delta Storage project proposal and developed a substantial body of information to facilitate its evaluation and consideration. Additional work to add to the existing body of information and further reduce uncertainty regarding the In-Delta Storage project proposal would require significant new investment in field testing, data collection and modeling to better understand the effects of DOC, DO, temperature, and taste and odor on project operations and potential water supply benefits.

DWR believes that sufficient technical information is now available for potential project participants to evaluate their interest in the In-Delta Storage Project. To date, DWR has not received any expression of interest from potential project participants willing to use water developed by the project and share in project costs. DWR acknowledges that some potential project participants may be reluctant to express an interest in any CALFED surface storage proposal until equivalent, comparable information is available for other CALFED surface storage proposals. [DWR acknowledges that the findings of the report are not supported by all BDPAC members.](#)

DWR recommends that further detailed study of the In-Delta Storage project be suspended until adequate technical information is available for other CALFED surface storage projects and DWR is directed and funded to continue the study. DWR further recommends that limited economic study and the use of existing operations modeling of the In-Delta Storage project proposal continue through the CALFED Surface Storage Program Common Assumptions effort.

This information will allow DWR and potential project participants to continue to compare the In-Delta Storage project proposal to other CALFED surface storage proposals as work on those proposals advances.